City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the mental health of every citizen is essential to the social and economic prosperity of families, communities and businesses; and

WHEREAS, mental health is a key component of everyone's overall physical health and emotional well-being; and

WHEREAS, we strive to create a community that support mental wellness by increasing access to treatment, educating ourselves about mental wellness and supporting our fellow citizens as they seek to improve their mental health; and

WHEREAS, greater public awareness about mental wellness can positively transform attitudes towards people with mental illness which makes it easier for our fellow citizens to seek help.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May, 2017 as

Mental Health Awareness Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me and the Mental Health Coalition of North Central Florida in promoting mental wellness and supporting prevention efforts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 25th day of April, A.D., 2017.

Tauren Poe Mayor